

## Gentleman Boxer and Wrestler



On the right is B. F. Roller, as he appears when he answers his surgeon's call; at the left is Roller, the boxer.

Greencastle, Ind., Dec. 3.—A real college chap, classy, sporty, bright, a society favorite, an athletic hero—such was the Frank Roller students of old De Pauw knew back in 1896. He was not one of the "Mersey Boys" but he actually passed up cigars. Today B. F. Roller, doctor, student and all-around athlete, is challenging Frank Gotch for his laurels and hoping for a fight with the winner of the Jeffries-Johnson bout. Roller recently held Gotch safely in fifteen minutes of wrestling.

The real truth about Roller's ambition came out while visiting Phi Delta Theta fraternity brothers in his old college town not long ago. He opened up his heart of hearts and said that he was in the athletic game for two reasons—first, he always loved sport of all kinds; and, second, the publicity given his feats helped the doctoring business. He divulged a secret which

until this time has not appeared in print. He said he had accumulated enough out of doctoring and wrestling to spend two years abroad in completing his studies. In personal appearance Roller is one of the handsomest of men. He has a dignified bearing, is courteous and affable at all times, talks encouragingly on any and all topics, moves in the best society circles and in a word is the modern type of gentleman all the way through. Roller's life story is that of the husky country boy who goes to the university to work his way. As soon as his possibilities were recognized by the college coach he found congenial employment. He was as studious as he was active in training. He came into prominence early in his freshman year, and before the season ended was a college hero. The following year Roller and "Ibabe" Williamson were instrumental in bringing the football honors of the middle west to De Pauw. Since then he has been in the public eye almost constantly. He is famous principally for his achievements on the mat.

## CRACK TEAM TO CUBA.

Bunch of Famous Players Will Tour Island Republic.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 3.—Thirteen major leaguers, one from the American and the rest from the National, among them three Cubs, Brown, Archer and Hoffman, have been gathered by A. M. McAllister for his Cuban invasion which starts from Chicago today. Twelve games will be played on the island and \$5,000 and expenses have

been guaranteed. The following players have been secured:

Pitchers—Brown, Chicago; Camnitz, Pittsburgh; Joss, Cleveland; Rucker, Brooklyn.

Catchers—Archer, Chicago; Simon, Pittsburgh.

Infielders—Merkle, New York; Miller, Pittsburgh; McMillan, Brooklyn; Hoffman, Chicago.

Outfielders—Hyatt, Pittsburgh; Thomas, Boston; Magee, Philadelphia.

## COMING WRESTLING MATCH INTERESTS CALUMET FANS

Germany Schultz Confident He Can Defeat Carl Lehto of South Range.

## CALUMET THEATER SATURDAY

Considerable interest is being evinced in local wrestling circles in the approaching contest between "Germany" Schultz, of Butte, Mont., and Carl Lehto, of South Range. The match takes place Saturday evening of this week in the Calumet theatre and promises to be largely attended, judging by the way the tickets are being disposed of.

It is to be a catch-as-catch-can match, best two out of three falls, for a good-sized purse. Good preliminaries have been arranged. K. J. Wirtanen and G. Gronlund will go in an exhibition match, while Clarke and Davey, local Cornish wrestling exponents, will also be seen on the mat.

Lehto is looked upon as a coming champion. He has done excellent work in the copper county, his latest achievement being the winning of the tournament at Hancock against all comers. Schultz, the Butte man, is clever and expects to defeat his opponent. Both men are said to be in excellent condition for the bout, and will strip at almost even weights.

## Wrestling Tourney in January.

The Pommitus club, a Finnish athletic organization of Calumet is arranging for a catch-as-catch-can wrestling tournament to be held in the Calumet theater January 14 and 15. The events will be divided into two classes, lightweight and heavyweight. \$300 in prizes will be offered and no one will be barred.

Lehto, Gronlund, Wirtanen, Schultz and other well known wrestlers are expected to enter. Five prizes will be given to the lightweights, who will weigh 155 pounds or under, and five prizes to the heavyweights, weighing over 155.

## MEETING WILL BE WARM.

Four Expected to Fly at National League Session Dec. 15.

New York, Dec. 3.—A meeting of magnates of the National league has always been a fearsome affair, but the one that is scheduled to be held here on Dec. 15 will probably be a free for all fight, without even barring the strange hold. Some of the important matters to be settled are to be:

The election of a president. The effort of Charles W. Murphy and John T. Brush to make the National league a "syndicate" by taking over the Philadelphia club.

The effort to depose Billy Murray as manager of the Quakers.

The efforts of Gerry Hermann of Cincinnati to cut short the schedule of the National league and provide for a series of interleague games at the conclusion of the National league and American league playing season.

The fight on the election of president, of course, is expected to prove the biggest bone of contention. The belief is growing, however, that Garry Hermann will put one over on the other magnates and force the re-election of President Heydler, who succeeded Harry Pulliam, though Murphy and Brush are sure to continue their fight against him.

It is known that several of the magnates will endeavor to have Murphy and Brush dispose of their holdings in the Philadelphia team, believing the entire league will suffer from this "syndicating" of interests. Horace Fogel, the new president of the Philadelphia club, is known to be opposed to the further reign of Murray, but as Murray has a contract, the efforts to dislodge him may prove a bigger problem than the Murphy-Brush-Fogel combination can surmount.

## WON'T MANAGE PHILLIES.

William Murray Not the Man—Either Kling or Lake.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 3.—Final decision that William Murray would not manage the Phillies next season and the announcement that the plant at Broad and Huntingdon streets would be enlarged to accommodate 30,000 persons were the two most important developments on the fifth day of Horace Fogel's administration as the president of the local National league baseball club.

Murray's successor will be John Kling or Fred Lake. Architects will visit the Phillies' park tomorrow morning and devise the scheme of enlargement, which will involve the expenditure of many thousands of dollars.

The new ownership of the Phillies lets out Mr. Murray, not on the grounds of incompetence, for it has a very high regard of his ability, but because it wants to start next season's campaign with a clean slate.

It is President Fogel's policy to rise or fall by his own judgment and not to shoulder any blame in case of non-success, on the ownership of the team. That is the reason he wants to begin his first year's campaign with a manager of his own selection.

Kling will be the man providing the national commission lifts the three-year suspension against him. The failure of this body to reinstate him is the only hitch that could keep Kling from the Phillies.

It is presumed that the new owners will compromise with Mr. Murray and satisfy him on all points before his leave taking. A man close to the old owners of the club declared that the fact that Manager Murray sent outfielder Clement to Jersey City last year without the sanction of the board of directors offers the wedge whereby his contract may be shattered. It is also said that this instance was related to the new owners, but President Fogel declined to talk on this subject.

## WILL LAVERS CAPTAIN.

High School Basketball Team Selects Leader Yesterday.

The basketball players of the regular high school team held a meeting yesterday at the Y. M. C. A. for the purpose of electing a captain and making arrangements for coming games. Will Lavers was chosen captain and it was decided to accept the challenge of the high school alumni team. This game will be played next Wednesday evening at the Y. M. C. A. It will be the first of a series of games to decide the championship of Houghton county. The winners of the interscholastic championship will play off at the close of the season with the winners of the championship outside of the schools, including the Michigan College of Mines and the Suomi college of Hancock.

The alumni team will line up next Wednesday night as follows: Sinceck, center; Murphy and Curto, forwards; Eaton and Roberts, guards. Roberts and Curto were two of the stars of last year's high school team while the other players are old high school stars. The regular high school line-up has not yet been announced.

## NAPOLEON'S OCEAN PRISON.

The Iron Duke was responsible for Napoleon's exile to St. Helena. Returning from India in 1806, Wellington's ship touched at St. Helena and the soldier was heard to remark upon the utter barrenness and desolation of the place. Upon getting into the ship's gig after taking leave of the civil and military authorities of the island, Wellington said to the governor: "If I had enemy whom I wished to bury alive, I'd send him to this island." The overthrow of Napoleon gave him the "enemy" and the wish, and he did not forget the place.—New York Journal.

## LUCK.

Luck and laziness do not go together.

## YOST TO COACH VARSITY TEAM TWO YEARS MORE

"Hurry Up" and U. of M. Faculty Sign Agreement at a Board Meeting.

## STUDENTS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 3.—Fielding H. Yost, who has coached the football teams of the University of Michigan for the last nine years, has signed a contract to coach football to the young men of Michigan for at least two years more.

At the board of control meeting a two-year contract with the "hurry-up" man was ratified, both the coach and the university accepting the terms. Just what salary Yost will receive neither party cares to say.

There is great rejoicing among the students over the decision. Since the two brilliant victories over Pennsylvania and Minnesota the coach has been the most popular man connected with the university. The assurance that he will be on hand next fall to work with the fine material in sight leads Michiganders to believe that more far years are in sight with considerable faster makeup.

To some extent faculty members who were jealous of the attention attracted by Yost and of the fat salary he received have been trying to undermine him, but the wave of enthusiasm caused by the victories this year swept all opposition before it.

The ratification of the Yost contract was the most important business transacted by the board Tuesday night. The matter of Michigan's return to the conference was not taken up at all.

The board expressed disapproval of the proposed trip of the football team to California for a game on New Year's day, giving the reason that such a jaunt would entail absence from college that the board did not care to sanction. This means that there will be nothing doing in the travel line.

It was decided that the eastern trip of the baseball team next spring was all right, and the board gave its official sanction. This will insure Michigan an excellent schedule in 1910. Michigan plays Oberlin at Oberlin May 23; Case at Cleveland May 24; Western Reserve at Cleveland May 25; Syracuse at Syracuse May 26 and 27; Cornell at Ithaca May 28.

er. The man who climbs up must prove himself and grasp his opportunity will not look him up.—James J. Hill.

## HEROD.

Herod the Great reigned as king of the Jews from 37 B. C. to 4 A. D. He himself was not, strictly speaking, a Jew, although the Idumans, from whom Antipater, Herod's grandfather, sprung, had been compelled by John Hyrcanus to embrace Judaism.—New York Tribune.

## The Last Resort.

"They're going to increase the tax on beer!" "Then we won't drink any." "And they're going to increase the tax on spirits." "Then we won't drink any." "And they're going to tax wine." "Then we won't drink any." "And they're going to tax inheritance!" "Then let's drink up our money!"

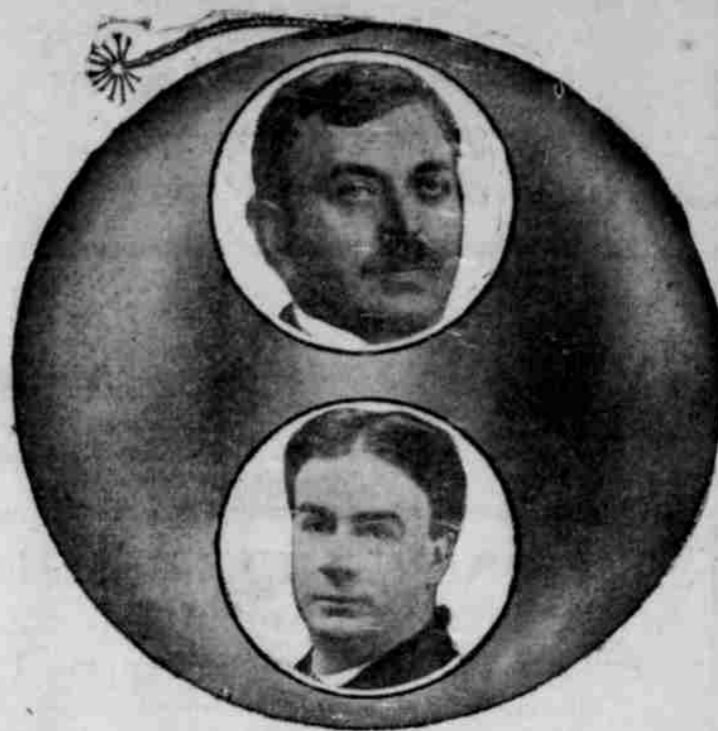
## So Does Satan.

They say in New York that every time a Tammany man looks at the statue of Liberty he laughs.—Charles-ton News and Courier.

## Daily Thought.

"Serving God" is doing good to man; but praying is thought to be an easier "service," and therefore is more generally chosen.—B. Franklin.

## Bomb Tossed at Sport World



AT TOP IS MAYOR PHILIP BREITMEYER OF DETROIT, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN BOWLING CONGRESS; AT THE BOTTOM, A. L. LANGTRY, SECRETARY.

Detroit, Dec. 3.—Detroit is planning to hurl a bomb into sporting circles which will completely obliterate all other attractions during the American Bowling congress. The fuse has been lighted by Mayor Philip Breitmeyer, who is the honorary head of the congress, and A. L. Langtry, this year's secretary. The date for the big explosion in sport circles has been set for February 28. The congress will continue until March 15. Word has been received from all over the United States that practically all the

old stars will be back at the big Detroit congress early in 1910. A publicity campaign will be launched with a view to interesting every sporting editor and every sport lover in the United States. It is held that the game is just coming into its own and promises to continue as the one distinctive winter sport. Work on the ball is being pushed to the utmost. Detroit plans to house the bowlers well, furnish alleys as near perfection as possible, and spare no money in making the event the success of years.

## A Mountain Rose Blooms Again



At right, Alma Bell, vindicator of the murder of Joe Ames; at the left, Pike Bell, her mother.

Auburn, Cal., Dec. 2.—Alma Bell is free! Pretty Alma Bell, the little mountaineer girl, who shot her lover, Joe Ames, because he was false, is beginning life all over again in her mountain home. She is free because a jury of hardy woodsmen, where the crime was committed have strange ideas about the honor of a plucky woman, ideas so strong that they held her not guilty of murder on the grounds of the "unwritten law." Here is the story of the woman who loved, who trusted, who gave her all to the man she loved and who, realizing the perfidy of the creature of the plains who would not marry her, shot him to death without warning. Her story told in court has shaken the coast, but until now the east has heard little of plucky Alma Bell. She was poor, oh, so poor, and she did love Joe Ames. He came into her wild mountain life as quietly as the petals of the mountain rose unfold

and he whispered words of love to her until Alma Bell knew no world but his. When she tried to tell her story in court, she faltered, turned crimson then went white as death as the fire of merciless questions continued. First just like a woman—she cried. Then there was just one little tear, then a deep sob and her being shaken to the very soul pulsed as a court room sat silent. Then from somewhere came another woman, old, gray, decrepit, her features wrinkled by hard labor and distorted by pain. This other woman placed her arms about her, then drew her away from the stand to a quiet little nook in the court room where she soon drove away the tears and sent her daughter back to the chair triumphant. Just a mother's love, just one person in the whole world who knew. Just one fond caress and Alma Bell lived and longed and fought for the life she knew to be hers by right. Yes, only the mother love—a tale of the mountains enacted in a prosaic court of justice. A rose that will bloom again.

## Not in His Line.

Beggar—"Say, mister, would you give a pore feller a dime ter save his life?" Stronger—"I should say not. I'm an undertaker."

## Wise Man.

"I'm going to marry a girl ten years older than I am," says the Phil-life. "Stronger—"I should say not. I'm an undertaker."

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